

WALGA RoadWise

Regional Road Safety Advisor Report

July - August

Statistical Data – South West Region

91 total WA fatalities – 60 Regional, 31 Metropolitan (as at 13 July 2021).

Compared to this time last year:

78 total WA fatalities – 45 Regional, 33 Metropolitan.

Regional statistics

19 total South West fatalities (as at 9 July 2021).

Compared to this time last year:

21 total South West fatalities.

Table 1: Fatality Summary¹

Wet Weather Driving Toolbox Talk



The National Road Safety Partnership Program has recently updated the resource, *Wet Weather Driving Toolbox Talk Kit*. Toolbox talks are an effective and cost efficient way to communicate road safety information with staff.

The Toolbox Talk Kit can be accessed on the [National Road Safety Partnership Program](#) website, or via the link below.
[NRSP Australia » Wet Weather Driving](#)

¹ Personal Communications, WALGA [8 July 2021]; Original source Main Roads WA.

Road Safety Community Grant Applications Open Now!



The Government of Western Australia has made available funds from the Road Trauma Trust Account for community initiatives that assist with promoting road safety messages across the state.

For grant application closing dates and how to apply, head to the Road Safety Commission website, or alternatively click on the link below:

[Community Grants Portal | Community Connect Road Safety \(rsc.wa.gov.au\)](https://www.rsc.wa.gov.au)

Tough NEW Penalties for drivers

From Thursday, 1 July tough new penalties will apply for any driver caught with both drugs in their system and over the legal alcohol limit. The Road Safety Commission is running the Time To Sweat campaign that aligns with the introduction of these new penalties.

The aim of the campaign is to raise awareness and educate the community, on the new penalties and the intent to protect all road users, from drivers impaired by the use of drugs and alcohol. Existing penalties for drug OR drink driving are also increasing.



Source: Road Safety Commission, 18 July 2021 [Road Safety Commission - Time to Sweat \(rsc.wa.gov.au\)](https://www.rsc.wa.gov.au)

Keeping Up To Date

RoadWise Road Safety Newsletter provides updates about the wide range of road safety activities being undertaken by the community road safety network across the state. The latest edition of the *RoadWise Road Safety Newsletter* can be accessed from the RoadWise website;

www.roadwise.asn.au/roadwise-road-safety-newsletter.aspx.

New subscribers can subscribe directly from the website link above or email RoadWise; roadwise@walga.asn.au.



WALGA's RoadWise Facebook page is designed to help promote the community road safety network's road safety initiatives, enable the network to interact more, provide information on road safety and promote RoadWise campaigns and projects.

Visit the page here; www.facebook.caom/WALGARoadWise and don't forget to **Like** and **Follow** us to keep up-to-date with what is happening with the RoadWise road safety network.



Calendar of Events

Rail Safety Week – Monday, 9 August – Sunday, 15 August.

This is an annual community awareness week, to engage the community in safe rail practices. Further information can be found at:

[Rail Safety Week - TrackSAFE Foundation](#)

Training and Development Opportunities

WEBINAR (FREE), Grasshopper Environmental: Safety, Sustainability and Productivity – Triple Treat Drives Business Success – Thursday, 15 July at 11:00am (AEST). Register at:

[NRSP Australia » Free Webinar: Grasshopper Environmental: Safety, Sustainability And Productivity – Triple Treat Drives Business Success](#)

WEBINAR (FREE), Heavy Fleet Operations – Shifting to a proactive state of safety - Wednesday, 18 August at 11:00am (AEST). Register at:

[NRSP Australia » Heavy Fleet Operations – Shifting to a Proactive State of Safety \(Sutherland Shire Council\)](#)

WEBINAR (FREE), Guide to Road Safety Part 1: Introduction and the Safe System - Tuesday, 24 August at 1:00pm (AEST). Register at:

[Webinar: Review of the Guide to Road Safety and Structure for Online Access | Austroads](#)

Australasian Road Safety Conference – Tuesday, 28 September – Thursday, 30 September. Melbourne. Register at:

[ARSC 2021 Conference | Road Safety Excellence - Australasia \(australasianroadsafetyconference.com.au\)](#)

ARRB Symposium – Wednesday, 17 November – Friday, 19 November. National Transport Research Centre, Port Melbourne. Register at:

[ARRB SYMPOSIUM](#)